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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application

This application contains sequence disclosures that are encompassed by the definitions for nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(a)(1) and (a)(2). However, this application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 for the reason(s) set forth on the attached Notice To Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures. Applicant must comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821-1.825) before the application can be examined under 35 U.S.C. §§ 131 and 132.

Sequences are disclosed in the specification that are not identified by sequence identifiers (SEQ ID NOs). For example, specification on pages 6, 7 and 8 discloses nucleotide sequences that are not identified by sequence identifiers. Applicant is further reminded that amendment to the specification, and/or claims is required to comply with 37 C.F.R. 1.821(d). Each sequence disclosed in the specification and/or figures must be identified by its sequence identifier (i.e., SEQ ID NO:). Applicant is reminded that the entire specification and figures should be reviewed for sequence disclosures.

A substitute copy of CRF, a paper copy of the sequence listing are required only if the sequences disclosed were not already included in the CRF submitted.

APPLICANT IS GIVEN 30 days FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER WITHIN WHICH TO COMPLY WITH THE SEQUENCE RULES, 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in ABANDONMENT of the application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g). Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. In no case may an applicant extend the period for response beyond the six month statutory period. Direct the response to the undersigned. Applicant is requested to return a copy of the attached Notice to Comply with the response.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Sita S. Pappu whose telephone number is (703) 305-5039. If the examiner cannot be reached, inquiries can be directed to Supervisory Patent Examiner Dr. Remy Yucel whose telephone number is (703) 305-1998. The fax number for the organization where this application is assigned is (703) 308-8724. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Patent Analyst at (703) 305-2982.

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PATENT EXAMINER

NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Applicant must file the items indicated below within the time period set the Office action to which the Notice is attached to avoid abandonment under 35 U.S.C. § 133 (extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)).

The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):

- ☒ 1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998).
- ☐ 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
- ☐ 3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- ☐ 4. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/or 1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked -up "Raw Sequence Listing."
- ☐ 5. The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A Substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).
- ☐ 6. The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the computer readable form of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- ☒ 7. Other: Sequences are disclosed in the specification but are not identified by their sequence identifiers (i.e. SEQ ID NO). Since the specification discloses sequences that are not identified by their sequence identifier, it is unclear if all disclosed sequences are included in the sequence listing. Applicant is advised that, a substitute CRF and substitute paper copy of the Sequence Listing are required only if the sequences are not already included in the Sequence Listing. Applicant is reminded that the entire specification and figures should be reviewed for sequence disclosures. Applicant is further reminded that amendment to the specification, and/or figures is required to comply with 37 C.F.R. 1.821(d).

Applicant Must Provide:

- ☒ An ~~initial~~ or substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing".
- ☒ An ~~initial~~ or substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry in the specification.
- ☒ A statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e) or 1.821(f) or 1.821(g) or 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).

For questions regarding compliance to these requirements, please contact:

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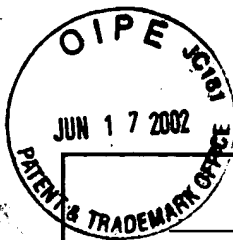
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SUBMISSION OF SEQUENCE LISTING
INCLUDING STATEMENT OF VERIFICATION

Sir:

Applicants hereby provide a substitute copy of a Computer Readable Form of the Sequence Listing as well as the substitute Paper Copy thereof. The undersigned states that the amendments made in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.825(a), included in the substitute paper copy of the Sequence Listing are supported by the application as originally filed. The undersigned also states that the substitute Paper Copy and the substitute Computer Readable Form, submitted in accordance with 37 CFR §1.821(c), (e) and (g), respectively, are the same and include no new matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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